



HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES May 8, 2014- 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McGregor-Hollums called the May 8, 2014 regular meeting of the Human Services Commission to order at 6:32 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joyce Bowling, Jared McMeen, McGregor-Hollums, and Adam Wheeler

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioners Leslie Hamada, Brian Lord, and Lesley Schlesinger
CM Brian Lord was excused

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Victoria Throm, Personnel & Human Services Analyst

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

CM BOWLING MOVED AND CM WHEELER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA TO INCLUDE THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 10, 2014 AS WRITTEN. VOTE: 4-0. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments public comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item 1. Review Site Visit to Pediatric Interim Care Center on April 10, 2014

Director Elaine Purchase provided the commission with a full tour of the facility which included viewing the babies in each nursery. Commissioners agreed that the babies get such good care and the facility is state-of-the-art. CM McMeen was pleased with how much contact the nurses have with the newborns which is critical to their development. CM McGregor noted that evidence shows there is little to no long-term affects to babies born to drug addicted mothers with the exception of alcohol which does cause alcohol fetal syndrome. She added that the cost to house a Covington infant at PICC, even if they only served one every few years, would still be more than the small amount of grant funding we give them.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item 2. Review 1st Quarter Agency Reports

Chair McGregor gave an overview of the quarterly report process to the new commissioners. Most agencies reached their quarter goal. The following programs had questions or were in need of clarification which Victoria will follow-up on:

Auburn Youth Resources – MC McMeen noted that their case management numbers did not align with the number of residents served.

Catholic Community Services – Emergency Assistance – ask them to expand on the outreach techniques they are using to expand the program in Covington.

SK Council of Human Services Capacity Building Project – There is a new program director and he is interested in looking for opportunities to expand in Covington with new small agencies that the commission may know about. This item will be put on the June Agenda to discuss.

Item 3. Recommendation to Council to Participate in the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for CDBG – Action Item

Victoria explained about the Community Development Block Grant and the grant opportunities awarded to Covington as a participant in the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement. One CDBG grant was awarded last year to replace the bridge at Jenkins Creek Park entrance and repair the trail throughout the park to be ADA compliant. Victoria has received CDBG grant funding to coordinate a Minor Home Repair Program for the past four years.

CM McMeen moved and CM Wheeler seconded to recommend to Council to consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a King County Interlocal Cooperation Agreement regarding Community Development Block Grant consortium. VOTE: 4:0. Motion Carried.

This item will be moved forward to City Council at the May 27, 2014 meeting.

Item 4. Update on Funding Application Process

Victoria provided a list of applicants who applied for Covington funding. There were 33 applications which included nine new programs to consider. CM McMeen asked if Vine Maple Place submitted an application. Victoria had been working with their grant writer and was surprised when they did not submit an application. She will check further to make sure she didn't miss it.

COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

CM Bowling moved and CM McMeen seconded to adjourn the May 8, 2014 meeting at 7:47 p.m. VOTE 4:0. Motion Carried.

Submitted by:



Victoria Throm
Personnel & Human Services Analyst